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Perpignan, March 27.

THE Duke *de Navailles*, who commands the Kings Forces in these parts, having caused his Troops to march out of the Plain of *Rousillon*, to take their quarters in *Catalonia*, and having advice, that 500 Spaniards, that were in Garison in *Figueres*, had received orders to march from thence to *Roses*, he commanded a Body of Men to pass with all diligence the *Coll* of *Pertus*, and to way-lay the said party, which they did so successfully, that they intercepted them, and took them all Prisoners, amongst whom, they found the Governor of *Figueres*, and several other persons of Quality. On our side, we lost in this action a Lieutenant, and 8 or 10 common Soldiers.

Madrid, April 22. On Monday last their Majesties parted hence to *Aranguez*, where they will continue some time. Sunday in the evening arrived here 500 Horse from *Toledo*, who were ordered to march forthwith to *Catalonia*; from whence we still receive Letters giving an account of the great preparations that are making on the part of the French to attack them. That the Duke *de Navailles* will be suddenly in the Field, at the head of a good Army, which will not meet with any thing to oppose it.

Vienna, April 26. On Thursday last, the Emperor, who hath been somewhat indisposed since the death of the Empress was let blood, and is now very well again. His Imperial Majesty will about the beginning of the next Month take a journey of Devotion, to *Zell* in *Stiria*, where is said to be a miraculous Image of the Blessed Virgin, in great veneration in these parts. On Tuesday last was solemnized in the Church of the Capucins here, the Anniversary of the Emperor *Ferdinand* III. at which assisted the Empress Dowager, and the Arch-dutchess of *Austria* her Daughter, with a great many persons of quality. From *Constantinople* they write, that the Grand Signior will not stir from *Adrianople* this Summer.

Francfort, April 20. From *Ratisbonne* they write, that the Letters written by two of the Suisse Cantons, in answer to what they received from the Dyet, concerning French Levies, had been communicated to the several Colledges, being to this effect. That the States of the Empire had been misinformed, for that for these many years past, none of their Subjects had been in the French service, and that they have endeavoured to dispose the other Cantons to follow their example, and particularly, that their Subjects in the French service might not be employed against the Empire; the other Cantons have likewise written on this Subject, but their Letters have not as yet been read at the Dyet. On the 15 instant, it was, as they tell us, proposed by some of the Deputies at the Dyet, that seeing the time for action was come on so fast, it would be necessary to consult concerning the 3 Points formerly mentioned. 1. About furnishing the just numbers of Horse and Foot by every Circle according to its proportion. 2. About establishing necessary Magazines. 3. About providing a Train of Artillery: on which points, some debate was had, but nothing concluded. And, it is added, that the Deputy of the Elector of *Bavaria* said, considering the present posture the Empire was in, it would be much better to apply their endeavors towards the procuring a general Peace. All the discourse here is, that *Philipsburg* will be besieged before this Month is at an end, and every hour we expect to hear, that the Imperialists have attacked the Fort, which lies opposite to that place.

Strasburg, May 1. The Imperialists have not as yet made any attack upon the Fort on the *Rhine* near *Philipsburg*, but we expect they will in a day or two. The Duke of *Lorrain* has sent to desire liberty of our Magistrates to pass the *Rhine* here, his Highnesses intention being, as is said, to leave some Troops with those of the Circles, to block up or besiege *Philipsburg*, and to go and engage the French Forces, which lie now near *Schlestadt*, before they are reinforced from *Flanders*, and other parts. Our Magistrates have not as yet returned any answer to his Highnesses demands herein.

Mentz, May 2. The Imperial Garison that is here, consisting in 2000 Men, have received orders to march forthwith towards *Lauterburg*, to pass the *Rhine* there, and to render themselves at the place appointed for the general Rendezvous of the Imperial Army, which, we are assured, will be composed of 40000 Men completely. It is said here, that their first work will be to attack *Philipsburg*, where the Garison as is reported, begins to be in want of several necessaries.

Cologne, May 5. On Saturday last, four Companies of Imperial Foot marched from *Bon* to *Coblentz* and *Treves*, whither the Marquis *de Grana* is likewise gone. The former Deputies which the Duke of *Nemburg* sent to *Maestricht*, to Treat with the Governor and Intendant there, in the matter of the Contributions, demanded by them of the Dutchy of *Juliers*, being returned without any other answer, save that if the Contributions were not paid in the time appointed, they should proceed to excution. His Highness has sent other Deputies thither, to endeavor to dispose them to a more more mild proceeding. In the mean time, the term set by the Intendant expires in a day or two.

Hamburg, May 5. The Bishop of *Munster* is about raising a Fort near the mouth of the River *Elbe*, at which, this City is not a little concerned, and our Magistrates have sent two Deputies to the Duke of *Zell*, as Director of the Circle, to represent to him the ill consequences of it; upon which, the Duke sent a party of 25 or 30 Men to command the Munsterians to desist from that work, which they would however hardly do, till they had seen an order from the Duke of *Zell* in writing; of which, notice having been given to the Bishop, or some of his principal Commanders, three Companies were sent with some small Field-pieces to the assistance of the former, who caused the *Lunenburgs* to retire, and to leave them to go on with their work. What may further happen on this occasion, we must expect to hear. From *Berlin* they write, that the Elector of *Brandenburgs* Troops will begin to march the 13 of the next Month, and that they will immediately begin some siege. We hear, that the Count *Coningsmark* has accepted